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TAFT DENOUNCES ROOSEVELT.

Having kept quiet under the flood of abuse and misrepresentation heaped upon him until the safety of the nation and his party was seriously imperiled, President Taft did not mince matters in his Boston address. He laid straight out from the shoulder, setting forth the truths and backing them up with the words of the ex-president expressed in writing. He showed the double-faced of the colored in such dealings as the Harvester Trust, the waiting around of his former speech, the recalcitrant question, it was an unpleasant task which the president had to perform, and he did it within the dignity of his office and with respect. He did not resort to personal attacks, but with his customary wisdom, and thoroughly took up the charges made by Mr. Roosevelt, and carefully analyzed each separately, and at the conclusion, the soundness of his statements was apparent. It will prove a check on the wild run of the ex-president, showing with what venality he had made his plea to the people to place him back in the presidency. He has not only misrepresented the president's statements and actions, but he has used these misrepresentations to pull the wool over the eyes of the people. His flat has been made to win at any cost, and the president took pains to place the stamp of falsehood on the claims of the ex-president, and have the campaign fought on facts. It means the severance of close ties of friendship with the only living ex-president, but the situation demanded it. Like other occasions, when personal dislikes had to be put aside, the president never wavered in the duty he ought. Roosevelt will squirm and rage the longer it is to be expected, but no one endowed with his characteristics could ever have the temerity to refer to the "square deal" again. He has been shown to be the tool of the trusts and willing to go to any extreme to put himself in position to continue this rule.

President Taft's speech was a master stroke in the present situation. Not only Massachusetts but the country will heed it. The golden rule was the test and the application was made forceful and perfectly apparent.

OHIO REJECTS RECALL.

After long consideration, previous to which much was heard on both sides, the Ohio state convention has rejected the recall in all its phases, which means that it will not be incorporated in the electoral statutes of the state. The idea was to subject any official to the recall in the November elections upon the securing of 25 per cent. of the votes for a recall petition, and 20 per cent. for a state official, and 20 per cent. for a state official, the same provision for the recall of all public officials, including the judiciary. It is a representative body which makes up the constitutional convention and it includes members of both parties selected from all sections of the state. Coming at this time and by the majority of 27 to 45, it has a bearing on the republican primaries May 31, and is significant from the fact that Roosevelt was one of the strenuous advocates of the recall and urged it even to the judges, before the convention. The action, therefore, is a direct slap at the ex-president and points to the reasonable presumption that, as the mixed political gathering turned down what the colored has so earnestly advocated, there is no reason to believe that the republicans, when the opportunity comes, will be similarly disposed. It was just before breaking his promise to the people that Roosevelt spoke in the convention. He urged it strongly, and to have had the convention pass it would have been a great feat in his cap. Its rejection signals the fact prominently that the republicans are not following the leadership of the colored.

Senator McCullough of Illinois will leave congress after having been fifty years in congress and twenty-nine in the senate, at the close of his present term, a poorer man than when he entered public service. This should be accepted as a substantial evidence of his honesty.

An intoxicated lookout in the crowd's nest of the Titanic, according to the evidence of a passenger, indicates that much wine as well as too much greed shares the responsibility for that ocean horror among the icebergs of the northern Atlantic.

Roosevelt, who has been grossly and brutally attacked Taft, is surprised that the president should enter into personalities. The square deal Roosevelt is only a reminiscence, and his successor is a threat.

ROOSEVELT AND RECIPROCITY.

How cleverly Roosevelt was playing the game of politics in his speeches to the western farmers, is shown by his various attitudes on reciprocity. He has made a complete flip on this important question after having been asked by the president to criticize it, and had done so favorably. In doing so, the ex-president said: "It seems to me that what you propose to do with Canada, admits from every standpoint, I firmly believe in free trade with Canada for both economic and political reasons." There is no question that he fully understood what he had passed upon and what he was saying in upholding it. To then say, after his campaign had opened, that he had reviewed the matter and changed his mind because he thought it unjust to the American farmers, he exposed himself for double criticism. Either he didn't care what his address was to the president and slighted the attention he was called to give it, or he failed to have the American farmer in mind except when he wanted his vote.

Under the circumstances, it looks like the latter, and especially so in view of the fact that he not only advised the president of his admiration for it, but congratulated the president of Grand Rapids, in February, 1911, upon the prospects of closer relations with Canada. He hailed it as the only natural thing that should be put forward by President Taft, as the liberality of trade relations with other countries brought about in the past two years, has been accomplished by President Taft and not Roosevelt.

MERCENARY REASONS.

Gradually the facts are being learned why no news could be gained from the Carpathia after the rescue of the passengers. The senate hearing shows that the country was at the mercy of a scheme to hold back the facts for a sum running into four figures. The operators were authorized by Marconi to hold their stories for such an amount, and everyone knows that they did. In the meantime, the relatives and friends of the passengers, living and dead, were being tormented with anxiety and crazed because they could get no tidings of a definite nature of the terrible affair.

Hidden to hold their stories, the operators were not going to permit any more information than necessary to leave the ship. No attention was paid to the president's query and the government vessels were ignored and the operators, though the best in the land, were reprimanded. The captain of the Carpathia knew what the operators were receiving by the operators, who were out for the coin. Everything else had to wait, Marconi may not have directed the suppression of news, but he admits sending out a message which gave the operators the chance to refrain from giving any news except such as the captain might direct. It left the decision with a few scarcely paid majority and shows the further need of regulation of the wireless operator and a recognition of the moral duty to follow him. Negligence of everything but self by a few is being too plainly brought out by the investigation in many instances, in comparison with heroic sacrifice by hundreds of others.

MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS.

After long hearings, the senate committee on forest reservation and the protection of game is to report favorably on a bill for the protection of migratory and insectivorous birds in this country. This has been urged by sportsmen from all sections of the country, who have voiced the general feeling that such a course is a necessary thing to prevent the extermination of wild game, wild swans, brant, wild ducks, snipe, plover, woodcock, rail and wild pigeons. So great has been the reduction in numbers of many of these birds that hatcheries have been established with a view to replenishing the localities they frequent. Such a bill has been passed in many of their migrations from south to north and back again, not remaining permanently anywhere. It is a sad commentary on the thoughtlessness of the American people that some of these birds, including the woodcock, are on the verge of extinction.

Representatives from forty states advocated federal protection, and it is the purpose of the bill to put the matter under the jurisdiction of the federal government, but it will not affect any state laws concerning non-migratory birds. To carry out the purpose of the act, the regulations to be prepared by the department, an appropriation of \$10,000 is recommended in the bill.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Happy thought for today: A dishonest promise is seldom less than a bad example.

Friday's weather was prophetic enough to warrant having the lawn mower sharpened.

When Wall Street seeks to lure the sheep to be shorn, it suffers a reverse. The scheme never fails.

If anything is ever seen of that hat again it will probably be keeping company with the hour glass.

Passengers on the ocean steamships will not object in the longer routes so long as it is really a life-time saver.

The Ottawa Citizen to Mr. Tenney: "We apologize for being saved is accepted, but pray do not let it happen again."

There could have been no worse criticism if J. W. Perkins had thrown his own version of Roosevelt's hat into the ring.

When the time comes for the naval vessels they employed shooting at waters, there'll be evidence that war is on the cobweb.

Had Lincoln been consulted he would have advised Roosevelt in his campaign speeches that he cannot fool all the people all the time.

The pennant winners and the future of the world's series have now been put aside in the inebriate-shop gossip until after the caucus.

Senator Beveridge must be a great talker. An auditor who listened to him for two hours said he could not tell what his subject was.

The potato raisers of Hamilton, Me., profited by their foresight. They had 1,000 barrels reserved for the market when the price fell to nothing.

Miss Maudslott is as tickle as the wind and will not give up flying. This despite the fact that there is no preference given women in the air.

A five-story pickle factory caused a

THE MAN WHO TALKS

One of the brightest writers of our times says: "Man Jounes (from ignorance to ignorance) he begins by knowing nothing; he becomes clever; then he grows wise, when he again realizes that he knows nothing." The more a person knows, the more he realizes how much there is to be known and to recognize his lack of capacity to grasp the truth. The superabundance of words makes the truth seem more and more precious. The men who are most celebrated for scholarship do without having come into a creditable knowledge of themselves. The avenues of learning are many, and the ways to truth are often obscure. The highest attainments of man is the consciousness of how little he knows. All knowledge tends to a fuller understanding of the Creator and the benefits of knowledge are multiplied as it is extended to others. Knowledge as a selfish asset is of no value. Great knowledge should make a man greater in action—more persistent in purpose.

The world does not like the looks of a man or a woman whose mouth turns down. This kind of a curve on the mouth spells gloom. It is supposed to have been caused because the mind has too many cloudy days—gloom and gloom both begin with G. A merry heart and a jolly disposition are the only ways to get rid of the mouth the other way. This is the curvilinear difference between a child and the sunshine. Too many people in the world are living for a happy word—the cheerful word—and those who are capable of speaking such words may help to turn the corner of gloom and troubles are left too much to themselves—conventional will not permit them to be so. We are entitled to the right of a date. It is a cowardly feeling, and how easily we do yield to it. We do not realize that our own good depends upon the words we speak, as well as the good deeds we do.

Those people who are most devoted to style never appear to dream that there are many, very many good things that are not in style. They do not seem to know that the new thing is not always the best. An old-fashioned man or woman may be called a "fuddy-duddy" by the young, but the sterling quality of character never seems to depart from them—it is not always style that is a terrible thing to anything. There is nothing which makes vice more comfortable for a moment, and they both date beyond registered time. No good quality is harmed by time. How the human mind seems to be for a moment, and then it is gone. Charity is old-fashioned, but it has ever been recognized as being greater than faith or hope. The difference between show and purpose is great. It is purpose that is paving the way for a kinder and better world, a realization of heaven on earth.

What is dejection? Without going into the dictionary meaning of the word, we venture to say that nine times in ten it is a demonstration of the evil power of suggestion. The dejection of the witness operator and a nature expressed before children or invalids are forces of evil—they do harm. The friend who tells you that you are looking as well as usual does you harm. The mother who is always saying: "The poor child is sick" is creating a dejection in the child. The force of language for harm and the force of thought for good are not well understood by the people. Every day we are surrounded by suggestions. An intelligent interest in his own case is the most cheerful and likely to recover. Denial of mind, courage and the ability to live by the word of God. Too much sympathy is a drawback in a hundred different directions. The word is the word of God, spoken, and the depressing word should be constantly kept under restraint.

There is something more to life than mere living and loving and trusting. It is important that one should early be made aware of the commercial look that is in the world. The money in life are daily being devalued because they have not the knowledge necessary for their protection. The life of the man who is largely, simply prey upon the industry and the saving. The rate in the money market is the premium goods, the statement of co-operative plans, the staked pots, the lotteries for homes and for fortunes, take from the labor of the honest man more than \$20,000,000,000 a year. Do you wonder many people get discouraged? The scriptures declare: "For want of knowledge my people perish." Ignorance in this day and age seems to be almost inescapable, but when we come to think of the fine and noble things that are in the world, the people who profit by false promises, and the character and ability of some of the people they rescue, we realize that dejection makes an enervating web from which it is difficult for the weak to escape.

The man who has a nervous breakdown is a sinner, wherever you find him, and whatever he professes. It has not been generally acknowledged that a man cannot sin against God without sinning against God; but such is the fact, and a nervous breakdown is the result of the violation of laws which every person should feel bound to respect. Improper food, insufficiently masticated, loss of sleep, lack of exercise indoors and out, and little or no outdoor exercise, are the causes of nervousness. The same life is the kind of a nervous breakdown. The nervous breakdown is not a disease, it is a condition, and it is proportionate to one's strength. The nervous breakdown is traceable to unreasonable conduct as well as to unreasonable thought. To endure, man must be true to the laws of his being.

The trolley car is a very good place to study manners. They are soon found to be like piety, having no real or social significance. The courteous man is an often found back of the big blaze when destroyed by fire in Chicago. That it "fit up" shows it kept up the reputation of many "pickle factories."

When the average consumer bets his week's wages that he can pull through another seven days, the butcher, grocer and coal men are prepared to make him lose.

The new compulsory general vaccination law of Canada is a dead letter because the press gives notice of failure of the public will never submit to general or infant vaccination as the law decrees.

If the Titanic had carried a powerful searchlight instead of flares, the garden and private promenades, it is more than probable that she would have made her record run instead of a record of horror!

Speaking of Penrose, Lorimer and other politicians, Roosevelt said: "I knew them, but I did not let them be my masters." Roosevelt hugged close to him, Penrose, Lorimer, Perkins and Morgan. "I was good enough for Roosevelt," but Taft put him out of business.

AN APRIL SHOWER

(Written Specially For The Bulletin.)

Katharine Kittredge started out for a morning of business and pleasure on a promising April day. The fresh spring air, radiant with the perfume of early blossoming plants greeted one from all sides and the bright clear sun shone down upon the earth, and the church in whose porch she had sought shelter.

Stunlike he replied that he was glad to be of service and a silence followed as they both awaited the end of the shower. The down-pour lasted longer than they expected. Many of Katharine's friends were at the church, and some of them were quite active in church work. The two found the church a mutual acquaintance and topics of interest in common.

But still the rain continued, the sun no longer showed itself, for the clouds seemed to have completely covered the sky. Katharine finally decided it would be best for her to try to reach home in spite of the rain, and gathering up her skirt she prepared for a dash to the nearest car. Her companion was supplied with an umbrella, which he quickly opened, and accompanied her to the car, which should carry her safely home, nor did he leave her until her own door was reached.

Katharine was profuse in her thanks for the kindness shown and sincere in the wish she expressed that he would soon come to meet her parents, both of whom were interested in Katharine's education and her extension work which they had been discussing. This invitation the young man was not slow to avoid himself, and soon he became a frequent and valued visitor in the Kittredges home.

Katharine was an only child, and evidently a great pet of her household, but judicious management had prevented her becoming spoiled by over-indulgence from her jovial uncle. The advice even from her own father, Theodore, who was a member of the family group.

He pretended to be greatly in awe of her spiritual adviser as he insisted in calling Mr. Slocum, the reverend gentleman.

It was not long before all knew that a strong friendship was developing between Mr. Slocum and Katharine, so her parents were not surprised to be asked to give up their daughter to become a missionary. Katharine and her friends agreed it was a wise choice on the minister's part, for she seemed to be a genuine and sincere person, and Katharine's heart was in his work. Slocum greatly desired that the marriage might take place at the beginning of the vacation, but Katharine, who was of the charming June brides, and a prettier wedding never was seen was the report of all who attended it.

Even Theodore Kittredge admitted that it was a delightful occasion, "though Slocum, poor fellow," he said, "is a little to decide about it." According to all the evidence, he only opened his arms at their first meeting, and Katharine rushed into them, and he knew that she was his, "it is Leap Year this year."

April showers," they tell us, "bring forth May flowers," but this April shower produced orange blossoms.

AN IDLER.

caloused hands and a ragged coat as elsewhere, if the courtesy is not always responded to in the same spirit. It is to be hoped that the man who can think and work his way long on some specific problem is the man the times demand.

A certain spirit of confidence is necessary for one who wants to work efficiently. If there is to be "one thing" you are to do with commanding skill and power, you must have the things you may not wisely attempt. Have the courage to refuse to enter some inviting fields. Do not aspire to all kinds of knowledge, or to every form of influence, be willing to hold your own particular job before your eyes, and to prevent the other interests, fill the possibilities of your life, you will know the joy of something approaching mastery.

Many a man, who along any one line, no matter how humble, is one of the exhalations of life. The ability to do some work with more than common skill is a source of dignity to any man or woman. It is a means of grace, too, for the first step in one's moral upbuilding is the consciousness that he has become a man, a woman, a genuine worth to all the sons of men.

THE PARSON.

Very few of us believe in dry states even though we vote for their creation at the ballot box. Any prohibition state is simply a piece of paper, and is never dry by most people, or what they call "dry" or "wet." The man who is a devotee of the law really dry, the evidence of a lumberman is worth anything. A thirty stranger rushed from an express car to the station, and he was used to a building with "Saloon" emblazoned on the front; and when he came out he said to the lumberman: "Stranger, is this a 'dry' town?" "Should say it was," drawled the lumberman, "there are frogs in this year town, and in three years old that have never learned to swim." The thirty passenger got aboard the train again, hoping it would not take long to get to Kansas, where he was sure the evidence we shall all have to admit that this town was "dry" in reality.

SUNDAY MORNING TALK

The Parable of the Burning Glass. If you take one in your hand you will find it is a burning glass. The sun's rays are converged to a focus. Turn the spot of light on the center of an object, and the object will be burned. The sun's rays are converged to a focus. Turn the spot of light on the center of an object, and the object will be burned. The sun's rays are converged to a focus. Turn the spot of light on the center of an object, and the object will be burned.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Ballots and Voting Machines.

Mr. Editor: Our board of trade, by their executive committee have announced a talk on ballots and voting machines at the next regular meeting of the board on Monday evening, April 22, at the Buckingham Memorial. The speaker, Mr. A. S. Bard, is a son of our fellow citizen, Charles Bard, Esq. He is a native of New York, and is a very influential member of that working organization known as the City Club, and an expert in ballot legislation in New York and other states, including our own.

The wreathed thought growing out of our minds on this subject, and resulting in the discussion of many of our voters, has directed local interest towards a change of some kind. It is of absolutely vital importance to our state and town, that in the coming election, every voter should have a clear idea as to how he should cast his ballot, and that he should be able to do so, and that it may be correctly counted.

The time, the subject and the man ought to insure a full house Monday evening.

W. M. A. AIKEN.

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Read What This Woman Says:

South Williamstown, Mass.—"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound certainly has done a great deal for me. Before taking it I suffered with backache and pains in my side. I was very irregular and I had a bad female weakness, especially after periods. I was always tired, so I thought I would try your medicine. After taking one bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I felt so much better that I got another and now I am a well woman. I wish more women would take your medicine. I have told my friend about it."—Mrs. ROBERT COLE, Box 45, South Williamstown, Mass.

OTHER VIEW POINTS

Pray, what is \$3,000,000 compared with the sweetening of the waters of New Haven? Water pollution should be stopped at all hazards.—New Haven Journal-Courier.

Good judges of men and nations will not expect to see Italy hauling down its flag and scuttling from Tripoli. That is the condition of peace proposed by Turkey.—Providence Journal.

Major Archie Butts was liberally "used" by newspaper paragraphers, but every one of the writers is now willing to write "hero" after his name, and he was a hero, and one not to be forgotten.—Bridgeport Telegram.

Next to getting advertising by selling papers for the Titanic survivors, the acme in poor taste is reached by the publishers trying to use the fate of the novelist who was lost to boost the sale of his works.—New Britain Herald.

Those who gather trailing arbutus blossoms should bear in mind that pulling up the plants is an offense punishable by law. Common sense should prevent the devotees of the plant without any legal menace.—New London Day.

New York is still struggling with the problem of a building code that will prevent lives from being sacrificed to greed—will another horrible disaster be added to the list of calamities to the point of demanding such a law and its enforcement?—Springfield Republican.

These railway managers," says Commissioner O'Neill, "are sincere, and so are the engineers. Both sides are equally anxious for a settlement." That isn't much information as to the progress toward settlement, but it is a kindly good information.—New Haven Register.

Matters in Mexico go from bad to worse. It is impossible to forecast the outcome. The Mexican government is either unable to assert itself consistently, or does not wish to go outside a limited sphere of ineffectiveness, in the capital and throughout.—Bridgeport Standard.

Mayor Reeves is to be congratulated on securing the co-operation of such citizens as make up his special committee to consider plans for the future of the city government. It would be fine if such men could find time to act as city fathers in other than periods of special need or distress.—Watertown Republican.

Thirty thousand people attended the baseball game between the New York and Brooklyn teams the first day of the season, and reports from over the country show that big crowds turned out to all the league games. The indications are that the present season will be the most successful in the history of the national game.—Nauvick News.

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